REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication:	ma-107b-31.jpg
Other Known Title:	Not Stated
Medium:	Computer Image File
Director/Author:	Not Applicable
Producer/Publisher:	LS models.com
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language:	English
Applicant:	The District Court at Whangarei
Distributor:	Not Applicable
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive Note:	Not Applicable
Display Conditions:	Not Applicable
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Excisions:	Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The computer image file *ma-107b-31.jpg* is classified as: Objectionable.

The publication is a computer image file that promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes and is therefore deemed objectionable.

The computer image file depicts a sexualised image of a young teenage girl. The girl's unnatural pose and the prominence of her breasts and pubic area give the image its sexual reading. The publication serves to legitimise and encourage those with a sexual interest in young persons.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.